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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, PDIP, RP
SUBJECT: INCIDENT AT PHILIPPINE CETER, NEW YORK CITY

REF: (A) USUN 2657, (B) OAKLEY-MURPHY TELCON JUNE 25

1. RECOMMEND I BE INSTRUCTED ADVISE ROMULO JUNE 26 AS FOLLOWS:
A. UNDERSTAND FORMAL NEW YORK POLICE REPORT TO BE DELIVERED TO PHILIPPINE MISSION NEW YORK MORNING JUNE 26.
B. ALSO AM INFORMED REPORT REGRETABLY WILL BE INCOMPLETE. IT WILL NOT INCLUDE STATEMENTS BY PHILIPPINE WITNESSES TO INCIDENT WHO ARE UNDER CONTROL OF GOP BECAUSE GOP HAS WITHELD ACCESS TO THEM. COULD ADD PARENTHETICALLY POINT THAT POLICE DO NOT REPEAT NOT WISH SUBPOENA WITNESSES IN EFFORT AVOID EXACERBATING SITUATION (USUN 2650).
C. ONCE GOP HAS REVIEWED POLICE REPORT WE WILL WANT TO DISCUSS NEXT STEPS OF HOW TO SETTLE THIS MATTER IN SPIRIT OF GOOD RELATIONS PREVAILING BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES.

2. STRONGLY RECOMMEND NEW YORK POLICE REPORT DELETE WHOLE PARA BEGINNING QUOTE THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR...END QUOTE. CONSIDER REPORT SHOULD AND DOES STAND ON ITS OWN
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WITHOUT THAT PARA. INCLUSION OF PARA MAY PROVE HIGHLY EMBARRASSING TO ME IN MY DEALINGS WITH PRESIDENT AND FONMIN AIMED AT RESOLVING THIS QUESTION TO EVERYONE'S SATISFACTION. (ALSO WOULD NOTE THAT ROMULO HAS NOT REPEAT NOT YET DELIVERED COPIES OF SWORN STATEMENTS AS MARCOS DIRECTED HIM TO DO. MY CITATION OF THEIR CONTENTS WAS BASED ON QUICK SCANNING OF THE LENGTHY STATEMENTS HANDED TO ME

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BY PRESIDENT AND RETURNED TO HIM.)

3. FURTHER RECOMMEND USUN NOT REPEAT NOT EMPLOY VEHICLE OF THIRD PERSON NOTE TO RELAY REPORT. OUR USE OF FORMAL NOTE TO FORWARD PRELIMINARY ORAL POLICE REPORT WAS TAKEN AS USG ENDORSEMENT OF POLICE POSITION, DESPITE OUR DISCLAIMERS. (IF POLICE INSIST ON INCLUDING PARA REFERRING TO ME, OF COURSE, THIS IN ITSELF WILL BE READ BY GOP AS INDICATION FULL USG-POLICE COLLUSION).

4. RECOMMENDATIONS PARAS 2 AND 3 ARE MADE ON ASSUMPTION GOP MAY DECIDE AGAINST PRESSING ITS CASE IN COURT AND CONCENTRATE ON SOME OTHER FACE-SAVING WAY OUT OF PROBLEM. IF SO, WE WILL WANT TO HAVE GIVEN MANILA MAXIMUM SCOPE TO MANEUVER AND MINIMAL GROUNDS FOR GETTING ITS BACK UP ANY FURTHER. MURPHY

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